

LOWELL VOICE

Newsletter of the **L**owell Neighborhood **C**ivic **A**ssociation

May 16, 2016

*** ANNOUNCEMENT ***

Neighborhood Meeting May 16, 2016, 7 PM - 9 PM

Proposed Agenda

- 7:00 - 7:15** Police Report
- 7:15 - 7:20** Adopt Agenda and Minutes
- 7:20 - 7:30** Treasurer's Report
- 7:30 - 8:00** Office of Emergency Management
- 8:00 - 8:20** Hippie Run 2K16
- 8:20 - 8:50** Mini Grant update
- 8:50 - 9:00** Good of the Order/Announcements

**Location: Everett Gospel Mission Boardroom
2222-52nd Street**

Purpose: The principle objectives and purposes of the **Lowell Civic Association** are:

- A.** To encourage neighborhood participation in attaining goals as set by the democratic process of the Association's membership.
- B.** To be the official Lowell neighborhood organization for any and all matters related to the Lowell neighborhood.
- C.** To identify neighborhood concerns and to establish priorities.
- D.** To serve as an advocate and representative voice to seek resolution of neighborhood concerns and issues.
- E.** To develop proposals to finance additional neighborhood services and facilities.

Executive Committee

Chair:	Jackie Minchew	238-8657
Vice Chair:	Dale Wilson	355-2159
Treasurer:	Elaine Wilson	355-2159
Secretary:	Phyllis Minchew	923-3121
Neighborhood Representative:		
	Elly Smith	330-5096
Historical:	Gail Chism	258-9381
Mini Grants:	Megan Dunn	252-6265

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." --Margaret Mead

**A GREAT COMMUNITY IS AN INVOLVED
COMMUNITY – LET'S BE GREAT THIS YEAR**

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Guest Speaker, Office of Emergency Management

Continuing our theme of Emergency Preparedness, we have invited the Everett Office of Emergency Management to provide a speaker for this month's meeting on May 16. We have asked that they drill down a bit deeper than our previous conversations, perhaps getting into how best to plan and execute an awareness and engagement campaign so we are better prepared for disasters.

Public Education Coordinator, Lynn Sterbenz, is the one who normally does these sorts of presentations, but is out of town at this writing and unable to confirm. Interim Director, Brent Stainer, and Emergency Planning and operations Coordinator, Sarah LaVelle, are also experienced and capable presenters. We will benefit from the knowledge and experience of whichever speaker is able to attend.

You will be glad you stepped up to participate in getting prepared. See you at the meeting!

From the Chair

May is the month in which the LCA elects officers. All current officers have expressed a willingness to continue in office, though members are welcome to nominate themselves or others. The one open position is for the second Representative to the Council of Neighborhoods. Michael Rinner has expressed an interest in running for that position.

Also, Mayor Stephanson was scheduled to attend our April meeting, but developed a conflict and was unable to attend. He has been scheduled for November. I was notified, but missed reading the email.

In the February Newsletter, I made a serious error of omission, for which I hope, now, to make amends. I wrote about the Map Your Neighborhood Mini Grant project as well as the Neighborhood Clean-Up project. But I completely failed to write up the Red Barn Garden Project! Mea culpa, mea maxima culpa!

Dale Wilson is taking the lead on the Red Barn Project (see write-up below) and provided a good deal of assistance to the project last summer, as I understand it, particularly in the form of tractor load after tractor load of sheep and goat manure. The soil is mostly silt, as you would expect in the flood plain, and benefits very much from the addition of manure. As it happens, Dale and Elaine's livestock produces a good quantity of same.

It is our hope that we can engage some of you, our neighbors, in helping with a Lowell Neighborhood plot. Maybe some of you will want to take a plot of your own. We will try to have Forrest Callaghan make a presentation to the LCA at a future meeting.

Now, to Dale's write-up.

RED BARN GARDEN PROJECT

The Lowell Civic Association has received a city of Everett mini grant to assist the Red Barn in their sustainability goals and to further cooperation in achieving those goals with more local Lowell support and participation. The Lowell Civic Association can pay rental fees for garden plots for Lowell residents, buy tools for the Red Barn gardening activities and provide fertilizer and tractor support. In addition, we will be working with the Red Barn and the city to enhance road access to the garden plots.

Contact Dale Wilson, project coordinator at 425-355-2159 or at glengylefarm@comcast.net or Forrest Callaghan, Red Barn general manager at 425-772-5008 or fjcallaghan@aol.com.

Neighborhood Clean-Up – Saturday, June 25

The three tiered process for this project includes: 1) A street-side clean-up in the next few weeks; 2) An outreach to elderly and disabled neighbors who might benefit from some help with their clean-up; and 3) The big clean-up, in partnership with the Glacier View Neighborhood, will take place at 48th St. SE and Colby Ave, formerly school district administration building property, now YMCA. We will flyer the neighborhood with details. In order to be as successful as possible, we will need many volunteers, especially at the dumpster site, but also people willing to drive their own trucks to haul for the elderly and disabled. Contact Jackie Minchew to volunteer – 425 238-8657

Map Your Neighborhood

In addition to the presentation at this meeting, there will be a brief report from the committee that has been busy developing the website and a flyer for the outreach part of the project.

Hippie Run 2K16

Michael Rinner is heading up a 5K run/walk fundraiser for Seattle Children's Hospital.

"Hippie Run 2K16 - Lowell's own non-profit fun run coming this summer, hosted at 6613 Larimer Rd, Everett WA. To register or learn more go to: www.hippierun2k16.com. Can't visit the website? Day-of registrations will be available starting at 9:30am on June 11th. Hippie Run is hosted by Communities Caring for Kids, a Seattle Children's fundraising guild." See flyer on p4.

Map Your Neighborhood

Map Your Neighborhood is a grassroots neighbor-to-neighbor program to assist residents to become disaster resilient.

MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Preparing Neighborhoods...



...to Care for Each Other When Disaster Strikes

PREPARE...

Neighborhoods that are prepared for emergencies and disaster situations save lives, reduce the severity of injuries and trauma, and reduce property damage.

In addition, working together as a team and contributing as an individual develops stronger communities and improves the quality of life in the community.

LEARN...

- The 9 steps to take immediately following a disaster.
- Develop a neighborhood skills and equipment inventory.
- Map your neighborhood and identify areas of concern such as gas meters.
- Verify which neighbors need extra help in a disaster such as the elderly, those with a disability, or children who may be home alone.

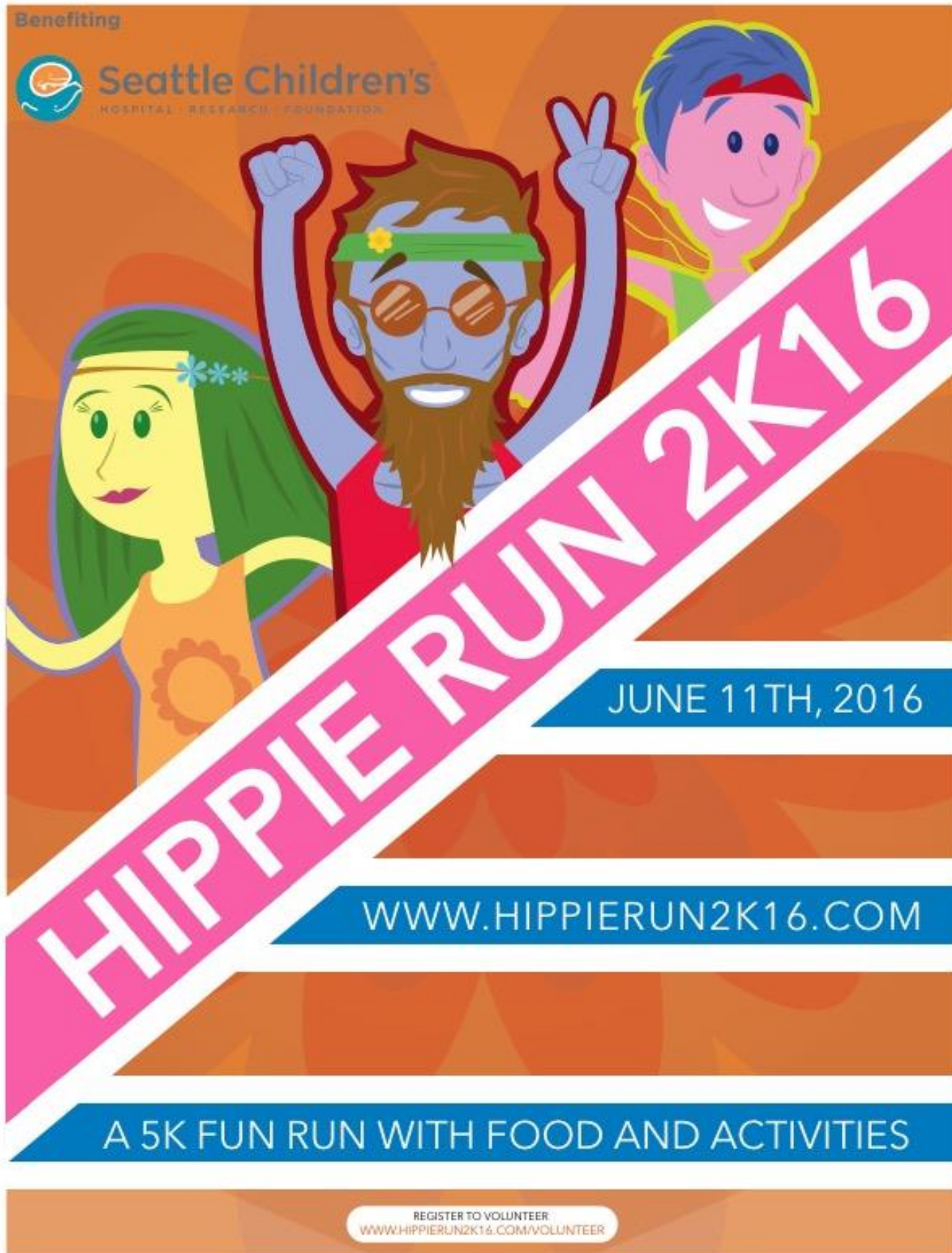
To request assistance mapping your Everett neighborhood, contact Lynn Sterbenz, Public Education Coordinator for the Everett Office of Emergency Management, at (425) 257-8111 or lsterbenz@everettwa.gov

To learn more, visit the [Washington EMD Map Your Neighborhood website](#).

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